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TH ASADHA SAKA SANCTIONED SCHEMES OF MPLAD
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the sanctioned schemes of MPLAD for the year 2003- 2004 will be released soon;
- (b) if so, by when;
- (c) whether the executives of Block Level are not following the guidelines; and
- (d) if so, the corrective steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION
(SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) & (b) The MPLAD Scheme is a continuous scheme. Funds for implementation of MPLAD Scheme are released as per the Guidelines. The District Administration releases funds to the Implementing Agencies for the sanctioned works. The funds for 2003-04 for the eligible cases have been released. As against the Budget Estimate of Rs. 1580 crore, Rs. 1682 crore have been released by getting additional amount of Rs. 102 crore in the supplementary grant during 2003-04.

(c) & (d) Para 2.1 of the Guidelines on MPLADS stipulates, - 'Implementation agencies can be either Government or Panchayati Raj Institutions or any other reputed non-governmental organization who may be considered by the District Head as capable of implementing the works satisfactorily..... The Head of the District shall identify the agency through which a particular work recommended by the Member of Parliament should be executed'. Block can be one of the agencies to implement the works recommended by the Member of Parliament. The executives at the Block Level are to follow the guidelines on MPLADS. In case, there is any complaint in this regard, the same is referred to the State Government for taking remedial and corrective measures.